IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
John F. BOYLAN et al.) Group Art Unit: 3731
Application No.: 10/764,841)) Examiner: Ryan J. Severson
Filed: January 26, 2004) Confirmation No.: 9783
For: NITINOL ALLOY DESIGN FOR SHEATH DEPOLYABLE AND RE-SHEATHABLE VASCULAR DEVICES) Mail Stop AF)))

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

A Notice of Appeal and a Pre-Appeal Brief Request for Review were filed on April 30, 2008. A Notice of Panel Decision from Pre-Appeal Brief Review ("Notice") was mailed on July 22, 2008, and the time period for filing an appeal brief was reset to one-month from the mailing date of this Notice. Applicants petition for a one-month extension of time to file an appeal brief, extending the due date for response to September 22, 2008. A fee of \$120.00 is submitted herewith.

Please grant any additional extensions of time required to enter the attached reply and charge any additional required fees to Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dated: August 26, 2008

By

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